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to: Dr. Joshua Lederberg

from: Richard Dana

re:Rockefeller University Art Collection

I thought you might like to see a typical report from our Conservator, Paul P. Kiehart. In this case it involves restoration work on the Eastman Johnson portrait of John D. Rockefeller, now at the Archive Center. As the photographs show there were problems with the shoe, the trousers, and hands and the moustach. There has been abrasion, with unmatching repaint. This is a valuable portrait, and unusual in showing Mr. Rockefeller in vigorous middle age, not the wrinkled old man so often portrayed in paint and stone. The cost was \$950. to do the work.